A clean copy of the above-identified pages of the GROUP 2003 VEL specification, including the noted deletions, accompany this amendment.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 16-25 without prejudice and add new claims 26-41 as follows:

- 26. Anti-seize composition comprising:
- at least one binder, selection from the group a) consisting of a curable or cross-linkable monomer containing ethylenically unsaturated groups, a curable or cross-linkable polymer or copolymer having chemically reacting groups and being selected from (meth) acrylic resins, epoxy resins, polyurethanes, unsaturated polyesters, polyurethanes, polysulfides and silicones, a physically setting polymer selected from poly(meth)acrylates, polyesters, polyamides, poliymides, polyurethanes, polycarbonates, polyvinylhalogens and copolymers thereof, or hydraulically setting inorganic substances,
- b) at least one substance which releases gases at elevated temperature, selected from the group consisting of azo compounds; hydrazine derivatives selected from the group consisting of 4,4'oxybis (benzenesulfohydrazide), diphenyl sulfone-3, 3disulfohydrazide, diphenylene oxide-4, 4'-disulfohydrazide, trihydrazinotriazine or p-tolylenesulfonyl semicarbazide; tetrazoles; benzoxazines; carboxylic acids and carboxylic acid

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derivatives selected from the group consisting of malonic acid, α -ketocarboxylic acids, β -ketocarboxylic acids, α, α, α -trihalocarboxylic acids, glyceridecarboxylic acids, β -hydroxy-carboxylic acids, β -lactones or carboxylic anhydrides;

- c) at least one friction-reducing additive, selected from graphites, metal sulfides, polyolefins and fluorinated polyolefins.
- 27. Coating composition according to claim 26, wherein component b) is selected from hexahydro-1,2,3-trinitro-1,3,4-triazine, N-methyl-N,2,4,6-tetranitroaniline and 2,4,6-trinitrophenol.
- 28. Coating composition according to claim 26, wherein component b) is in microencapsulated form.
- 29. Coating composition according to claim 26, wherein the friction-reducing additive is selected from polyethylene, polytetrafluoroethylene, graphite and molybdenum disulfide.
- 30. Coating composition according to claim 26, wherein component a) is a curable or cross-linkable polymer or copolymer which has an average molecular weight in the range from 300 to 25,000.

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- 31. Coating composition according to claim 26, wherein component a) is a curable or cross-linkable polymer or copolymer which is selected from (meth)acrylic resins, epoxy resins and polyurethanes containing isocyanate groups.
- 32. Coating composition according to claim 26, wherein component a) is a physically setting polymer selected from polyamides, saturated polyesters, poly(meth)acrylates and copolymers thereof.

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- 33. Coating composition according to claim 26, wherein the hydraulically setting inorganic binder is selected from waterglass, cement, lime and gypsum.
 - 34. Anti-seize composition comprising:
- a) at least one binder, selected from the group consisting of a curable or cross-linkable monomer containing ethylenically unsaturated groups, a curable or cross-linkable polymer or copolymer having chemically reacting groups and being selected from (meth)acrylic resins, epoxy resins, polyurethanes, unsaturated polyesters, polyurethanes, polysulfides and silicones, a physically setting polymer selected from poly(meth)acrylates, polyesters, polyamides, polyimides, polyurethanes, polycarbonates, polyvinylhalogens and copolymers thereof, or hydraulically setting inorganic substances;

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- b) at least one substance which releases gases at elevated temperature, selected from the group consisting of azo compounds; hydrazine derivatives selected from the group consisting of 4,4'-oxybis (benzenesulfo-hydrazide), diphenyl sulfone-3, 3-disulfo-hydrazide, diphenylene oxide-4, 4'-disulfohydrazide, trihydrazinotriazine or p-tolylenesulfonyl semicarbazide; tetrazoles; benzoxazines; carboxylic acids and carboxylic acid derivatives selected from the group consisting of malonic acid, α -ketocarboxylic acids, β -ketocarboxylic acids, α,α,α -trihalocarboxylic acids, glyceridecarboxylic acids, β -hydroxy-carboxylic acids, β -lactones or carboxylic anhydrides; and inorganic carbonates or hydrogencarbonates;
- c) at least one friction-reducing additive, selected from graphites, metal sulfides, and fluorinated polyolefins.
- 35. Coating composition according to claim 34, wherein component b) is selected from hexahydro-1,2,3-trinitro-1,3,4-triazine, N-methyl-N,2,4,6-tetranitroaniline and 2,4,6-trinitrophenol.
- 36. Coating composition according to claim 34, wherein component b) is in microencapsulated form.

- 37. Coating composition according to claim 34, wherein the friction-reducing additive is selected from polytetrafluoroethylene, graphite and molybdenum disulfide.
- 38. Coating composition according to claim 34, wherein component a) is a curable or cross-linkable polymer or copolymer which has an average molecular weight in the range from 300 to 25,000.
- 39. Coating composition according to claim 34, wherein component a) is a curable or cross-linkable polymer or copolymer which is selected from (meth)acrylic resins, epoxy resins and polyurethanes containing isocyanate groups.
 - 40. Coating composition according to claim 34, wherein component a) is a physically setting polymer selected from polyolefins containing, in copolymerized form, units having functional groups, polyamides, saturated polyesters, poly(meth) acrylates and copolymers thereof.
 - 41. Coating composition according to claim 34, wherein the hydraulically setting inorganic binder is selected from waterglass, cement, lime and gypsum.